

APPENDIX F

COMPUTATION FOR DESIGN OF FLIP BUCKET AND ROLLER BUCKET

F-1. Introduction. The following example will illustrate some of the procedures and guidance provided by this manual for the design of flip buckets and roller buckets. The example will show:

- a. Computations for design of flip bucket geometry.
- b. Computation of pressure acting on the invert of the flip bucket.
- c. Computation of the flip bucket jet trajectory.
- d. Computations for design of a roller bucket.

F-2. Design Considerations. Alternative designs for a flip bucket at the downstream end of the chute spillway described in Appendix E and a roller bucket at the toe of an overflow spillway similar to that described in Appendix D are required. Design criteria and geometric conditions are:

Spillway face slope	1V:1H
Chute slope S	0.05 ft/ft
Chute and flip bucket width	88 feet
Discharge	66,200 ft ³ /sec
Depth of flow entering bucket d ₁	9.5 feet
Bucket invert elevation	1,375 feet*
Spillway design flood tailwater elevation	1,330 feet
Allowable foundation bearing pressure	2 kips/ft

F-3. Computations.

- a. Flip Bucket Geometry. See Paragraph 7-18.

- (1) Bucket radius.

$$r_{\min} = \frac{\rho V_1^2 d_1}{P_T - \gamma d_1} \quad (\text{Equation 7-3})$$

$$v = \frac{Q}{A} = \frac{66,200}{(88)(9.5)} = 79.2 \text{ ft/sec}$$

$$r_{\min} = \frac{1.94(79.2)^2 (9.5)}{2,000 - 62.4(9.5)} = 82 \text{ feet}$$

Use $r = 100$ feet

* All elevations cited herein are in feet referred to the National Geodetic Vertical Datum (NGVD).

(2) Minimum bucket height.

$$h_{\min} = r - r \cos (\phi - \tan^{-1} S) \quad (\text{Equation 7-4})$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \phi &= \tan^{-1} \left\{ \frac{[d_1 (2r - d_1)]^{1/2}}{r - d_1} \right\} \\ &= \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\{ 9.5 [(2)(100) - 9.5] \}^{1/2}}{100 - 9.5} \right) \\ &= 25.2' \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} h_{\min} &= 100 - 100 \cos (25.2 - \tan^{-1} 0.05) \\ &= 7.48 \text{ feet} \end{aligned}$$

Use $h = 7.5$ feet

and elevation = $1,375 + 7.5 = 1,382.5$

(3) Trajectory angle resulting from the minimum flip bucket height.
Angles greater than the minimum can be used by increasing the bucket height.

$$\begin{aligned} h &= r - r \cos \theta \quad (\text{Equation 7-5}) \\ &= \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{r - h}{r} \right) \\ &= \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{100 - 7.5}{100} \right) \\ &= 22.3^\circ \end{aligned}$$

b. Flip Bucket Jet Trajectory Characteristics

(1) Horizontal distance, lip to impact area

$$\begin{aligned} X_H &= h_e \sin 2\theta + 2 \cos \theta \left[h_e (h_e \sin^2 \theta + Y_1) \right]^{1/2} \\ &= 217.3 \text{ feet} \end{aligned}$$

(2) Impact angle

$$\begin{aligned} \theta' &= \tan^{-1} \left[\sec \theta \left(\sin^2 \theta + \frac{Y_1}{h_e} \right)^{1/2} \right] \quad (\text{Equation 7-8}) \\ &= 41.8^\circ \end{aligned}$$

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c. Roller Bucket Design.

(1) Assumptions:

Pool elevation	1,500 feet
Spillway toe elevation	1,245 feet
Spillway energy loss from boundary layer computation as illustrated in Appendix E	5 feet
Spillway unit discharge q	752.3 ft ³ /sec

(2) Bucket radius

$$r_{\min} = \frac{5.19 \left(d_1 + \frac{v_1^2}{2g} \right)}{F_1^{1.64}}$$

$$H = 1,500 - 1,245 - 5 = 250 \text{ feet} = d_1 + \frac{v_1^2}{2g}$$

$$\text{By trial } V_1 = 125.3 \text{ ft/sec}, \quad d_1 = 6 \text{ feet}, \quad F_1 = 9$$

$$r_{\min} = \frac{5.19(250)}{9^{1.64}}$$

$$= 35.3 \text{ feet}$$

Use r = 40 feet

(3) Bucket invert elevation limits

(a) Maximum depth invert elevation

(Plate 7-5)

$$F_1 = 9.0$$

$$\frac{r}{d + \frac{v_1^2}{2g}} = \frac{40}{250} = 0.16$$

Maximum tailwater depth $h_2(\max)$

$$= 15d_1$$

$$= 15(6)$$

$$\text{Elevation} = 90 \text{ feet} = 1,330 - 90$$

$$= 1,240 \text{ feet}$$

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(b) Minimum depth elevation

(Plate 7-6)

Minimum tailwater depth $h_2(\text{min})$

$$= 13.7d$$

$$= 13.7(6)$$

$$= 82 \text{ feet}$$

$$\text{Elevation} = 1,330 - 82$$

$$= 1,248 \text{ feet}$$

Bucket invert elevation of 1,245 feet is acceptable.

(4) Roller depth

(Plate 7-7)

$$h_2 = 1,330 - 1,245 = 85 \text{ feet}$$

$$h_1 = 1,500 - 1,245 = 255 \text{ feet}$$

$$h_2/h_1 = 85/255 = 0.33$$

$$\frac{q \times 10^3}{g^{1/2} h_1^{3/2}} = \frac{752 \times 10^3}{(5.67)(4,082)}$$

$$= 32.6$$

$$h_b/h_1 = 0.2 \text{ where } h_b \text{ is the roller height}$$

$$h_b = 0.2(255) = 51 \text{ feet}$$

$$\text{Elevation of roller} = 1,245 + 51 = 1,296 \text{ feet}$$

(5) Surge height

(Plate 7-8)

$$h_b/h_1 = 51/255 = 0.2$$

$$h_s/h_1 = 0.44$$

$$h_s = 0.44(255) = 112 \text{ feet}$$

$$\text{Elevation of surge} = 1,245 + 112 = 1,257 \text{ feet}$$